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A 00	INITIAL COMMENTS This Statement of Deficiencies was generated as a result of a focused State licensure survey conducted at your facility on 3/19/08. The survey was conducted using the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 449, Surgical Centers for Ambulatory Patients. The findings and conclusions of any investigation by the Health division shall not be construed as prohibiting any criminal or civil investigation, actions or other claims for relief that may be available to any party under applicable federal, state or local laws. The following deficiencies were identified.	A 00		
A151	NAC 449.9895 Sterilization 1. All surgical instruments, sutures and drains used in the care of patiens must be sterile. This Regulation is not met as evidenced by: Based on staff interview and demonstration, and review of the manufacturer's operational manuals, it was determined that the facility failed to decontaminate surgical instruments prior to sterilization according to the facility's standards of practice. Findings include: The facility followed the AORN (Association of periOperatvie Registered Nurses) standards of practice. The AORN, 2006 Edition, Standards, Recommended Practices, and Guidelines revealed, "Instruments, with the exception of powered equipment, should be submerged in warm water with appropriate detergent and cleaned and rinsed while completely submerged."	A151		

If deficiencies are cited, an approved plan of correction must be returned within 10 days after receipt of this statement of deficiencies.

TITLE (X6) DATE

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A151	Continued From page 1 "Manufacturers' instructions and AORN's 'Recommended practices for product selection in perioperative practice settings' should be followed for detergent selection and proper use, care, and maintenance of instruments." It also revealed that the manufacturers' instructions for detergent selection should be used when using an ultrasonic cleaner. On 3/19/08 at 8:00 AM, Sterilization Technician #1 demonstrated how the surgical instruments were decontaminated prior to sterilization. The instruments were inspected for gross amounts of debris and/or blood. It was seldom necessary to "brush" them. They were then rinsed with distilled water and placed in a tray on the counter. Syringes were filled with plain, distilled water taken from an ultrasonic cleaning system, which were then used to squirt the water through the various instruments to loosen any final debris. They were then air dried. An enzymatic cleaning agent was not used to decontaminate the instruments prior to sterilization. This was the decontamination process, prior to sterilization, used in between patient procedures. At the end of the day, when all of the cases were completed, the last batch of instruments would be processed, as mentioned above, then they would be placed in an ultrasonic cleaning bath that contained a combination of distilled water and an enzymatic cleaning agent. The instruments stayed in the bath for 12 minutes. The enzymatic cleaning agent, EmPower Enzymatic Solution, was mixed at five cubic centimeters (cc) to one-half gallon of distilled water. The facility used the HealthSonics ultrasonic cleaning system. A review of the operations manual revealed that the	A151		

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A151	Continued From page 2 model T3.3C system being utilized by the facility had a one-half gallon capacity reservoir for the distilled water. The amount of enzymatic cleaning agent (EmPower) to be used, as recommended by the manufacturer, was 15 cc per one-half gallon. During an interview on 3/19/08, the Clinical Director stated that the above process was developed following the occurrence of several cases of Toxic anterior segment syndrome (TASS) in their surgical clients. The American Society of Cataract and Reflective Surgery had identified a possible cause of TASS as being irritants on the surfaces of the intraocular surgical instruments that had accumulated due to the inadequate rinsing of the detergent used in cleaning the instruments. In summary, the facility did not use an enzymatic cleaner to decontaminate instruments prior to sterilization in between patient procedures. At the end of the day, when instruments were run through the ultrasonic cleaning system, the ratio of cleaner to distilled water did not follow the manufacturer's recommendations. Severity: 1 Scope: 3	A151		